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Classified By: ADCM William H. Duncan for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

(C) Reftel demarche was conveyed to Spanish MFA Deputy Director General for the Mediterranean, Magreb and Near Orient Manuel Gomez-Acebo and European Correspondent Ricardo Lopez-Aranda on February 17, stressing the importance of EU support for the AU's adoption of targeted sanctions against the junta and its supporters. No substantive response has yet been received. Post will follow-up in the context of GAERC and report findings accordingly.

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